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Kevin William WEEKS	)	
Application No. 10/089,727	)	Group Art Unit: 3637
Filed: April 4, 2002	)	Examiner: Winnie S. Yip
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For: METHOD OF CRUSHING A TUBE	)	

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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

The undersigned certifies that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in connection with a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this statement.

The references were cited in a search report dated February 16, 2004 in the corresponding European patent application. A copy of the search report is enclosed herewith, and thus these references are being submitted within three months of the date of the foregoing search report.

It is requested that the accompanying information disclosure statement be considered and made of record in the above-captioned application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. respectfully requested that an Examiner initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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